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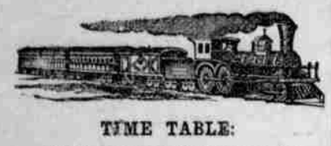

TIME TABLE:

Between BOWIE and GERONIMO.

Taking effect Monday, May 27th at 1:00 p. m.

No. 1.				No. 2.
8 50 a.m	Lv	Geronimo ‡	Ar	8 10 p.m
9 10 a.m	Ar	Fort Thomas ‡	Lv	7 50 p.m
9 30 a.m	Lv		Ar	7 45 p.m
10 00 a.m	Lv	Mathewsville ‡	Lv	7 08 p.m
a.m	Ar	Pima ‡	Lv	6 53 p.m
10 15 a.m	Lv		Ar	6 48 p.m
10 27 a.m	Lv	Central ‡	Lv	6 37 p.m
10 42 a.m	Lv	Thatcher ‡	Lv	6 28 p.m
10 60 a.m	Ar	Safford ‡	Lv	6 68 p.m
11 10 a.m	Lv		Ar	6 03 p.m
a.m	Ar	Solomon ‡	Lv	5 45 p.m
11 27 a.m	Lv		Ar	5 40 p.m
11 53 a.m	Lv	Rail N Ranch ‡	Lv	5 14 p.m
12 05 a.m	Lv	Big Wind Mill ‡	Lv	5 02 p.m
12 10 a.m	Lv	20 Mile Tank ‡	Lv	4 58 p.m
12 18 a.m	Lv	Bailey's Wells ‡	Lv	4 47 p.m
12 41 a.m	Lv	Summit Spur ‡	Lv	4 26 p.m.
1 15 p.m	Ar	Bowie ‡	Lv	4 00 p.m

Mountain Time

Trains Nos. 1 and 2 run daily except Sunday, connecting with Southern Pacific R. R. at Bowie for all points east and west, and with Layton's stage line at Fort Thomas for San Carlos, Globe City and Tonto Basin

‡ Stations have no agents.

‡ Telegraph Stations.

The Company reserves the right to vary this schedule as circumstances may require.

WM. GARLAND, President.

Arizona and N. M. Railway,

TIME TABLE:

Going North	Distance from Lordsburg	No. Station	Time table No. 11 Jan. 1. 1895	Distance between stations	Going South
No 2					No. 1
12 00 m		1	††Lds'burg‡		10 20a m
1 00 p m	20	2	‡Summit †	20	9 20a m
2 00 p m	40	3	Ar Duncan†	20	8 20a m
2 10 p m	...	..	Lv Duncan‡	...	8 10a m
2 35 p m	47	4	*† Sheld'n†	7	7 45a m
2 48 p m	50	5	*† Yorks †	3	7 38a m
3 05 p m	55	6	†Coronado †	5	7 25a m
3 25 p m	56	7	†Guthrie †	4	7 10a m
3 55 p m	64	8	*†s Siding †	5	6 45a m
4 00 p m	66	9	†n Siding †	2	6 40a m
4 30 p m	71	10	Ar Clifton †	5	6 15a m

rains run daily except Sunday

* Stop on Signal † Leave ‡ Arrive.

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LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Items of Local Interest Gathered by Reporters on their Rounds.

DOINGS IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Breezy Little Notes of General Interest Picked up Here and There.

Mrs. Snedden received a piano last Monday, which was ordered for her by Wilbur Ijams.

Cowboy hats, boots and slickers at John Blake & Co's. 3-27-tf.

E. D. Tuttle left last Saturday for a visit to San Jose, Cal. Mr. Tuttle will probably be absent about a month.

Barbed wire lower than ever before at John Blake & Co., Safford.

New time table goes into effect next Monday, on the G. V. G. & N. by which trains running each way will arrive half an hour earlier.

Hats for cowboys, grangers and dudes at John Blake & Co's. at prices to suit the times. 3-27-tf

Rev. Downs who went to Phenix to attend the Territorial Republican convention returned home last Saturday.

An elegant assortment of dress goods at John Blake & Co's. 3-27-tf.

The program prepared and carried out on May Day at Matthewsville, we are informed was good. Both young and old participated and a splendid time was had during the entire day.

Redwood finishing lumber, Oregon flooring, moulding etc. at John Blake & Co's. 4-10-tf.

The *Gazette* says that the Apache Kid is now and has been for the last fifteen months among the Yaquis in Mexico and that he has not been in Arizona during that time.

The largest and most select line of clothing at John Blake & Co's. at prices very low. 3-27-tf.

The Graham County Dramatic association have written for dates and will probably appear here during court week. It is said to be a strong aggregation of talent. —*Belt*

Buy a wind mill like J. T. Owens, either for cash or on the installment plan. W. F. Ijams, Safford. 3-20-tf

Hon. Burt Dunlap, one of the cleverest cattle men of Arizona is at the Ford. He is a delegate from Graham county. It is probable his name will be presented for a delegate to St. Louis.—*Gazette*

Canton Clipper plows, harrows etc, the best made, at John Blake & Co's. 4-10tf.

The May Day exercises at Layton passed off nicely. A splendid program was rendered, the little ones sustaining their parts well. A large number of people gathered at the meeting house to witness the exercises

Cowboy saddles, bridles and purs. ,Patronize Clarkson's home smake at John Blake & Co's. 2-27-tf.

The largest and best stock of boots and shoes at John Blake & Co's. at the very lowest prices. 3-27-tf.

"Foiled" was presented by the Arizona Comedy Co at the Robinson opera house last Saturday night to a good sized audience. The characters were well sustained and the audience was well pleased with its production. The next play this company will present will be "A Noble Outcast."

If you want a windmill, or pump, piano or organ or any other musical instrument see W. F. Ijams who will sell either for cash or on the installment plan. 3-20-tf

The Phenix *Republican* gives an account of the accidental killing of Luther J Wood, city assessor and tax collector of Phenix, in that city last Saturday. He had just returned home from his office and went to his bedroom to put away a revolver when the family heard the report of a gun and rushed to the room to find him lying on his back, with a bullet in his brain, dead.

Two hundred tons of alfalfa hay for cash, cheap, loose or bailed. Write for prices F. O. B. cars, here. Alexander Bros. Fort Thomas and Geronimo, A. T. 4-17-tf

Sheriff Wight returned last Monday from Yuma where he had been to take five prisoners to the penitentiary. They were sentenced at the last term of court and their names are: Dionicio Carebello, Julio Miranda, Macario Gonzales, and Adolphe Vega.

While Mr. Wight was at Maricopa on his return trip Cy Williams, the hotel keeper was shot and mortally wounded by a man whose name is also Williams.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Frank M. Richavds Found Dead in Bed Last Tuesday Morning.

TOOK THE MORPHINE ROUTE.

Tired of Life—A Discharged Soldier Gets Stranded and Takes his own Life.

About two months ago a young man calling himself Frank M. Richards, but whose real name is Delavan P. Deyo, came here from Ft. Apache where he had served as a soldier and had been honorably discharged.

He came here to sell cigars for A. T. Morris, of Cincinnati, Ohio, but did not seem to be very successful. He had no money and got in debt, and for the last few days had been unwell and drinking some. He had been stopping at the Safford house, but last Monday night slept in Mr. Parker's house and late Tuesday morning as he did not get up Mr. Parker went to awaken him and found that he was dead.

Justice Fonda and Dr. Porter were immediately summoned and the doctor pronouoced him as having been dead about two hours. A coroner's jury was empaneled and an inquest held. Drs. Porter and Morrison examined the body and concluded that he had died from an overdose of morphine.

It is supposed that he made up his mind to take his life on Saturday, as a letter to his sister and also one to A. T. Morris were written on that day, and on Sunday he bought a bottle of morphine which was found near the body with the contents one third gone.

VERDICT OF THE JURY.

We the undersigned jurors find that the true name of the deceased was Delvana P. Deyo, but whose reputed name was Frank Marion Richards, that he was about 30 years of age and came to his death by an overdose of morphine taken with suicidal intent.

Signed:

L. Frye, C. C. Gish, Nat Wanslee, W. B. Sollender, J. C. Gorder, C. V. White.

Following are notes found among his effects:

To whom it may concern.

I take my own life because I em tired of living which is all that need be said on the subject.

FRANK M. RICHARDS.

SAFFORD A. T. May 3, 1896

I am tired of life so the least said soonest mended, probably. Please notify Mrs. M. J. Cavanaugh of 49 Monroe St. Albany, New York, and if you care to charge any thing up against the affair, charge circumstances and A. T. Morris.

With best regards for all. I am

Yours very respectfully.

FRANK M. RICHARDS.

LETTER TO HIS SISTER.

SAFFORD, A. T. May 2, 1896.

MRS. M. J. CAVANAUGH.

49 Monroe St. Albany N. Y.

Dear Sister:—I write this letter to say good bye, one long, long, last good bye, for by the time this reaches you I shall be in eternity. Life without money means nothing to me, but life and disgrace means less, and disgrace and dark dispair are now facing me. Rather than live and face life again I will take my own life. If you remember your erring brother at all remember him kindly. I have been cursed through life. Maybe that after I have solved the great mystery I shall have a few blessings. They say there is a God; during the latter years of life I have grown to doubt it and also to doubt that there is such a place as heaven or hell. you do not need to pray for me, for prayers would not help me in life and they cannot help me in death. Who is this God they talk about and who this Jesus Christ? God is a mythical, mysterious personage and his so called son Jesus Christ is the bastard son of Mary and Joseph, a miserable fake, an unprincipled pretender. Why will people in the masses pay any heed to these people called preachers and priests? Can not they see that they are after the same as the rest of us, the almighty dollar, and are simply a set of sharpers. Well Libbie, as I suppose these things hurt your feelings I will close by signing myself

Your recreant brother

DELAVAN P. DEYO.

The letter to A. T. Morris, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who was his employer is a lengthy one, the tone of which indicates that he has not acted fairly by him, and that through Mr. Morris' failure to live up to his agreements he had become stranded and tired of life. The letter is a most bitter one and in conclusion says:

"May you some time during your life be compelled to undergo the hardship and disgrace that you have brought on me, may you be compelled to walk miles and miles on a hot day and want a drink and not be able to get it; may you go hungry, thirsty and tired, and be compelled to turn tramp as you have compelled me to. With my last breath which I will draw soon I will curse you; may a duped and dying man's curse rest upon you, for a swindler that you are; may God, if there is a God, curse you and your scheme to extort a man's savings. Knowing that I was swamped and down, you with your cursed greed, could go so far as to write me for money, and far from helping me you could know all this and yet not even do as you contracted to do, if you had sent my first installment of salary as you agreed I would yet have had some faith in you and have continued in your employ, but my hopes have been scattered with to-night's mail. I have tried to do right and rather than that anyone should attach any blame to my name that I have guarded for thirty long years I will give my heart's blood to atone my folly for having allowed myself to be taken in by a swindler and sharper. Go to your church to morrow and pray to that ficticious Being you choose to call God; listen while your preacher tells you of that other being called the devil and rest in blissful ignorance of the fact that I have solved the great mystery and know whether there is such a place as heaven or hell, or if there is a God and a devil. Rest and know that I have taken my last trip and know the secret that lies beyond the grave. If it is any consolation to know that you have cursed the life of at least one of your fellow men, you may have that consolation and that it may do you good, are the last wishes of your fool, dupe and sucker.

FRANK MARION RICHARDS.

NOT TRUE.

The Report that Three Men Were Killed by Indians on Cave Creek.

Last Friday night at 11 o'clock a government courier came to Wilcox from Rucker canyon with the startling intelligence that a citizen had arrived at the soldier's camp the night before and reported the killing of three men by Indians on Cave creek. Lieutenant Bullock, immediately dispatched one courier to Fort Grant to inform Col. Summer of the killing, and another to Lieutenant Rice, who is in the field near the Sonora line with Indian scouts, so that he would be on the lookout for Indians passing from the United States into Mexico. Then taking a detachment of soldiers from his troop Lieutenant Bullock went to Cave creek himself in hot haste, only to find the whole story a falsehood.

In the meantime the courier arrived in Wilcox too late to get the news to Ft. Grant by telegraph, was obliged to carry it through himself. He reached Grant at an earley hour Saturday morning and Col. Summer ordered troop A, commanded by Capt. Gresham to start at once for Cave creek by way of Bowie. By hard riding and the exercise of good judgment Lieut. Bullock succeeded in getting the news that the report was false into Ft. Grant in time so that Captain Gresham's troop was stopped at Bowie station and returned to the fort.—*Wilcox News.*

Building and Loan Association.

A meeting of the local branch of the B. & L association was held on Saturday night last. Vice Pres. Peel assumed the chair and after a few short talks by the different members present a committee of three, consisting of W. B. Fonda, B. F. Gray and R. S. Patterson was appointed to draft a set of by-laws for the government of the local branch. The meeting then adjourned to meet on next Saturday night at 8 o'clock in Jacobson's hall.

A Great Bargain.

The Ijams Stock Ranch situated 5 miles north of Bowie Station with one steam engine, two windmills, pumps, house, canal, ten head of horses and remnant of stock cattle for sale for $600.00 cash or approved security. The ranch and range is one of the best in Cochise county, grass and mountain water for 1000 head of cattle. Address, E. T. Ijams.

5-8-4t Safford, Ariz.

A party of pleasure seekers from Safford went to the Graham mountains yesterday for a couple of days outing.

IN THE BOTTOM OF A BOWL.

Some Facts About the Mining Camp of Clifton.

The Gateway to the Greatest Copper Store House in the United States—What Has Been Accomplished by the Expenditure of $8,000,000.

THE following well written and truthful article on the Copper Camps of Clifton and Morenci is taken from the Tucson *Star*:

Clifton is naturally the most inaccessible town in the territory and but for the fact that its position is the key to one of the largest copper camps in America, there would be no Clitton. As it is though it has been made easy of access. It is one of the busiest places in Arizona and the air is disturbed day and night, week day and Sunday by the whirl of machinery and the sun is partially obscured by constantly ascending smoke.

Were there no Arizona Copper company there would be no Clifton. The town lies on both sides of the San Francisco river which is spanned by a suspension foot bridge. On all sides it is surrounded by touring yellow mountains so that the town looks as if it had been built in the bottom of a hugh bowl. The San Francisco river in itself is a curiosity in Arizona, in as much as it is a constantly flowing stream, whose bed is not on top of the water through ten months of the year.

Clifton is reached from Lordsburg by a marvelously constructed narrow guage railroad also the property of the Arizona Copper company which by-the-way, like "Omnis Gallia in tres partes divisa est," the mines. the great company store and the railroad, all under one management, that of Superintendent Colquhoun. The commercial interests of the company, however, are under the direct supervision of Mr. L. Fraissinet, and the railroad's able supervision is Mr. Hopkins.

While speaking of the heads of departments of this great corporation Col. M. J. Egan should on no account be passed by. He is the company's attorney and one of the comparatively few men capable of attending to the legal wants of so great a corporation. It may be said of Col. Eagan that he never makes a mistake. His accuracy in even the smallest details is marvelous and extends into matters which usually donot bother lawyers. He is thoroughly informed on all subjects, past and present. He is a close student of literature, and all things else, grasps everything and forgets nothing. Added to these many qualifications is a supreme courteousness which makes every man with whom he comes in contact a friend of his great client.

The copper company, though not as at present constituted, began operations a quarter of a century ago. Nearly $8,000,000 have been invested in the enterprise, much of it, by reason of extraordinary natural difficulties, before a pound of copper was taken out. The ore bodies in the lands controlled by the company are said to be practically limitless so that Clifton will be a thriving mining camp at the end of the twentieth century, perhaps at the end of the twenty-fifth.

A considerable part of the ore worked now is extremely rebellious and of low grade so that the annual output is not so great as that of the Copper Queen or the United Verde company, though the plant of the Arizona company is more extensive than either.

The effectiveness of the plant is now being greatly increased by the erection of a new concentrator equal in capacity to the present one. To make room for it another section of the mountain was torn away. More than 1,000 men are employed in the various departments of the company.

The company has not always been dividend paying. Sometimes the copper market was unfavorable and in other years the profits were spent in improvements and extensions, but it is said that under the management of Mr. Colquhoun dividends have grown steadily. Last year, the profits from all departments (this is not from the head of any department) amounted to $90,000. It is a fact too, as one may see by reference to stock journals, that shares of the company have nearly doubled within six months and are now quoted at fifty seven shillings.

But all that relates to Clifton and the company cannot be crowded into a single column. For there are the mines, the Montezuma, the Metcalf, the Coronado and others at distances ranging from six to eight miles from Clifton, situated along Chase Creek Canyon, which is a Grand Canyon of the Colorado on a smaller scale.

The 20-inch guage road which runs out to the mines, alone deserves a column, to say nothing of three inclines, one of which is the second longest and steepest in America.

There is the Detroit Mining company whose works and mines are at Morenci, the liveliest and wickedest mining camp now on earth. The Detroit, which must form the subject of a seperate article, is one of the four great copper corporations of Arizona.

Social life at Clifton and Morenci, the relation of the companies to these places, a description of the natural conditions of the surrounding country, observations upon the boleta system, so little understood outside of the camps, all these must constitute, as Kipling says, another story—several of them—to which this is only an introduction.

SCHLATTER AGAIN.

Wonderful Sagacity of His Famous White Horse.

J. S. Parmelee returned to Silver City from the Mogollon country and tells The *Enterprise* of Schlatter, the healer.

It is very probable that Schlatter is housed at some isolated ranch in the mountains between Mule Springs and Clifton. The people at the ranches where he tarried tell wonderful tales about the healer and his white horse.

It is positively asserted that the horse will not touch food or water except where his master deigns to accept like hospitality. The appetizing alfalfa and the cleanest nicest corn failed to tempt the horse to partake thereof at the ranches where his master did not eat or drink, and this was true where he had been ridden long distances between ranches.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday evening of last week at the residence of B. W. Olney, of Solomonville, Miss Lulu B. Olney, of Solomonville and J. J. Rath, of Bowie Station were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Judge Owen T. Rouse officiating.

Only a few friends were invited and the ceremony was very short.

The bride was dressed in white albtross trimmed in chiffon and orange blossoms, with wedding veil Miss. Jennie Parks the bridesmaid was also dressed in white. Geo. L. Bugbee, of Bowie, was best man.

Mr. Rath's home is at Manhattan Island, N. Y., but he has been in the west for a number of years coming to Bowie as telegraph operator from California about two years ago.

The bride is a native of the State of Texas but has lived in Arizona for a number of years. She has a wide circle of friends in Graham County all of whom unite in the joyous hope that her future pathway may be adorned with never fading flowers of happiness and joy.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill. was told by her doctors that she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos Eggers 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King,s New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores also at General stores. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.

Sunday School Conference.

The Sunday school conference, held at Thatcher last Saturday and Sunday was attended by about 1000 people at each meeting. An interesting time was had through out the entire conference. The reviews made of the year's work in the school showed that great advancement had been made. Prof. Carl G. Maser, General Superintendent of the church schools addressed the conference at each meeting.

The New Superintendent.

E. J. Beard is the new superintendent on the G. V. G. & N. Mr. Beard assumed the Superintendency last week and is pushing right along. He is a thorough railroad man, and under his judicious supervision, the public service on this road will undoubtedly improve. The road is said to be on a paying basis now and traffic is increasing daily.

Farm for Sale.

Fine farm for sale at a reasonable price, lying one mile from Safford. Good water right in Graham canal. For further particulars apply to Nat Wanslee or GUARDIAN Office Safford. 5-1-tf.

WILL CELEBRATE.

A Grand Celebration Will be Given in Safford on the Fourth of July.

For some time past considerable talk has been indulged in as to the advisibility of giving a general celebration here on the Fourth of July, and last Wednesday evening it was decided that no better place can be found for such an event than in Safford. A committee was appointed and preparations will begin immediately.

A good program will be arranged and everything made convenient for those attending, and nothing will be omitted that will add to the day's enjoyment.

A general invitation will be extended to all and arrangements will be made with the railroad company for excursion rates.

Visitors can rest assured that they will be properly taken care of as we have three first class hotels.

The people of Safford and Layton should take hold of this with a will and make it eclipse any celebration yet given in the valley.

Closed Down.

The John Blake & Co. flour mills closed down last Tuesday night for a general cleanup and repairs, after having run day and night for almost a year and ground out something like two millions and a half pounds of grain. The mill has been a paying institution this year. Messers, Blake and McMullen, the proprietors, also run a general merchandise store, a first class harness and saddle establishment, and always have on hand a fine lot of machinery. The members of this firm are rustlers and good business men and are deserving of the success which has attended their efforts.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowles and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowles, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellant appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and $1.00 per bottle at all Drug Stores and General Stores.

A Good Appointment.

Hon. M. J. Nugent was yesterday appointed superintendent of the territorial prison in the place of M. F. Shaw, resigned. While Mr. Shaw has been a model superintendent, there is no doubt with Mr. Nugent's acquaintance with the work at that institution but that he will be able to give entire satisfaction to all parties and at the same time do good service toward stearing his party through the present campaign. As a whole his appointment is the best that could have been made in the party and his acts will be in accordance with this view when inspected.—*Gazette*

Dr. Weeks Catarrh Cure is a most valuable remedy for that prevalent disease. His Syrup of Dates, nature's perfect laxative is a cure for Chronic Constipation. The California Herb remedy acts upon the kidneys, stomach, liver and bowels. Removes pin, stomach and tape worms. Cures rheumatism and purifies the blood.

Dr. Week's Arabian oil is surely the King of Pain. All sold for half price for 20 days at.

JENNINGS and GRAY'S
4-17-tf

"Happy Tom" left last Saturday and Dr. Weeks left Monday for California. The doctor will return shortly. He still has Mr. Jennings under his care. Mr. Fox was left in charge of the case during his absence. Mr. Jennings is improving daily.

L. Frye left this week for Globe to move his father and family back to Safford. Mr. Frye has been in business in Globe for several years but has now sold out and will return here and probably go into business.

M. W. Stewart, one of the leading cattlemen of Arizona, is at the Ford, coming as a delegate to the Republican convention from Graham county. He went to Minneapolis four years ago as a representative of his party to the national convention.—*Gazette*

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bauises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all skin Eruptions, and postively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded Price 25 cents per box. For sale by all Druggists and Medicial dealers. tf.

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DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

SOLOMONVILLE Arizona, April 25, 1896.

To the Democratic party of Graham County Arizona.

At a meeting of the Democratic Committee of Graham county this day held it was ordered that a convention of delegates of the Democratic party in said county be and the same is hereby called to meet at Solomonville at 2 o'clock P. M. on Thursday May 28, 1896, to select eleven delegates to represent this county at the Territorial convention to meet in Phoenix June 8 1896.

Each voting precinct in the county shall have one delegate, and in addition thereto one delegate for every twenty five votes and fraction of fifteen votes in excess thereof cast for Hon. John C. Herndon for Delegate to Congress in 1894.

The representation of precincts shall be as follows:

Solomonville	6
Safford	4
Thatcher	3
Pima	5
Thomas	1
Aravaipa	1
Duncan	1
Clifton	3
Morenci	2
Central	2
Curtis	2
Grant	1
Blue	1

Precinct primaries shall be held in the various precincts of the county on Saturday May 23d, 1896, for the selection of delegates to the county convention at such hour and place as the Committeeman of each precinct shall designate by public notice.

W. W. DAMRON,
Chairman.

B. B. ADAMS,
Secretary.

John Sherman and the Arizona Republicans have united upon McKinley as their candidate upon the money question.

Two sets of Republican delegates were elected to the St. Louis convention last week at Phenix.

THE victory in Alabama means another "solid South," but it is solid for silver this time.

ONLY think of the Republican delegation to Phenix from poor old Graham supporting a gold bug candidate for President. "Holy Smoke."

REPUBLICANS throughout the Territory are in perfect harmony. This is evidenced by the red hot row that was mantained throughout the recent Republican convention at Phoenix.

Every State in the Union instructed for McKinley has adopted a platform opposing the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

"To Hell with free Silver if we can only elect our man," shouted Tom Fitch at the Republican convention at Phoenix. The gang yelled: "Dats de medicine," and "The band played on."

THE delegates elected by the regular Republican Territorial convention last week at Phenix to go to the national convention at St. Louis were: F. Mahoney of Navajo, Ralph Cameron of Coconino Issac T. Stoddard of Yavapai, Wm Christy of Maricopa J. A. Zabriskie of Pima and Burt Dunlap of Graham.

Arizona Republicans have follen into line with the gold bug States and shout for McKinley with equal enthusiasm.

AN exchange furnishes the receipt for breaking boys of the cigarette, habit: "Try bribery, persuasion or the shutting off of his allowance. If he is obdurate, use rawhide on raw—hide—welt him until he is willing to hold up his hands and promise to smoke no more of the little death dealers. If that does not stop him, drown him, as a drowned boy is better than one who smokes cigarettes."

TRAITORS IN OUR MIDST.

The following letter from a prominent United States Senator written recently to a Democratic citizen of Arizona indicates that secret movements are on foot to capture our territorial delegation for the gold bugs which must be thwarted by vigilance and pronounced instructions:

Rooms of Bimetallic Democratic National Committee.
WASHINGTON, D. C. April 22, 1896.

"It is said here that the Hon. Secretary of the Interior states with a great degree of positiveness, that the delegates from Arizona to the Democratic National Convention will be entirely in harmony with the Administration and can be relied upon to carry out the views of the President in matters of platform and nominations. I wish you would write me just what the situation is in your territory. We, of course, are exceedingly anxious to have a majority of silver men in the Chicago convention and we have counted confidently upon having the support of Arizona in this contest. If there is any danger in Arizona, taking what we consider the wrong side of the question, we would like to know it; on the other hand, if we can rely absolutly on a solid silver delegation from your territory we would be glad to know the fact. Will you please advise me at your earliest convenience what the situation is, and tell me when your territorial convention will probably be called.

"In case you send silver men to the convention, I hope you will be very careful about the personnel of the delegation, and be sure to send only such men as cannot be influenced by the Administration or by the methods that are properly attributed to Wall Street. There is no doubt that we can control the convention if we do not basely surrender. All that is required is determined effort."

Sincerely.
JAMES K. JONES.

HOW THE WEST STANDS.

The *Examiner* says:

"A careful inquiry has been completed by this paper as to the way in which the Pacific States will vote at the Republican National Convention to be held at St. Louis. The cavass shows that William McKinley is by long odds the favorite candidate for the Presidential nomination, and will receive most of the votes of the far Western States and Territories. Indeed, other candidates are not seriously mentioned by the practical politicians or the conventions or the electors in general. The only break comes on the silver question. In this regard some delegates may throw their strength to a radical free-coinage candidate, should he appear, but as between McKinley and any other of the men now in the fight, the Ohioan will be preferred. The roll-call may fairly be arranged as follows:

"Arizona—Six delegates; regular delegation for McKinley; contesting delegation divided.

"California—Eighteen delegates; certainly for McKinley.

"Colorado—Eight delegates; doubtful, because of the silver question.

"Idaho—Six delegates; doubtful, one faction for McKinley another demanding a radical free-coinage candidate.

"Oregon—Six delegates; for McKinley, as between him and any other candidate thus far named.

"Nevada—Six delegates; for McKinley, as between him and any other candidate thus far named.

"New Mexico—Six delegates; certainly four votes for McKinley.

"Utah—Six delegates; prefers McKinley to any other candidate yet named, but stands for free silver.

"Washington—Eight delegates; divided, with sentiment more strongly in favor of McKinley than any other candidate."

THE London *Evening Post*, published in New York, has got the hydrophobia, because it cannot annihilate the West. It says:

"Ominous news come from Washington respecting the probable admission of Arizona and New Mexico as states. It was known that the Senate favors admission. The Senate on principle favors anything that is bad, and had besides, the special motive of taking a few more kindred spirits, of the Alkali Ike type, into the most august assembly on earth. But it was thought the House was safe against this particular iniquity."

Keg beer at the 16 to 1 every Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 5 cents a glass.

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THE COUNTY'S FINANCES

The following will show the financial condition of Graham county for the year ending March 31st, 1895. It shows to what use the money is put, and a careful study of the same will be of benefit to all who are interested in the welfare of Graham county.

Total expense of county for the year ending March 31st, 1896,	$28,212 82	
Expense of dist court	1,849 70	
Clerk's fees	1,072 60	
		$2,922 30
Precinct Justice of the Peace, corstables and interpreter's fees	4,116 63	
County officers—		
Sheriff, excepting precinct work	3,296 55	
(Out of this amount the Sheriff has expended or really advanced to the county $947.45 in cash for the transportation of prisoners and insane persons and travelling expenses of himself and deputies in removal of prisoners, leaving net $2,349.10, out of which he is obliged to keep up from 2 to 3 horses all the time pays one regular deputy and several extras during court.)		
County Recorder	1,000 00	
County Assessor	600 00	
Board of Supervisors, mileage and clerk hire	1,976 00	
Treasurer	1,200 00	
Probate Judge	472 40	
District Attorney	1,279 25	
		$9,824 20
Advertising and printing	570 49	
Insurance on buildings	225 00	
Miscellaneous	10,554 20	
		$11,349 69

The last item "Miscellaneous" is distributed about as follows:

Roads	1,800 00
Jails and boarding prisoners	3600 00
Hospital	1,200 00
Paupers	1,200 00
Miscellaneous	2,754 20
	$10,554 20

(Of the $3.65 on the $100.00 raised by property tax, only $1.33 on each $100.00 is available for county purposes.)

For territorial purposes	72
Building interest	07
Interest on bonds	24
" " " 1892	44
Redemption fund	20
Schools	65
Regular county expenses	1 33
Total	$3 65

(Making the apportionment of cash for the year 1895, as follows:

For Territorial purposes	13,130 34
Interest and redemption fund	17,324 76
Schools	11,853 76
General expense	24,254 65
	$66,563 51

GOOD MINING NEWS.

Final Payment on the Pearce Bonanzu Made.

The *Prospector* was given some news regarding the Pearce bonanza, the nature of which, to say the least, is startling and moreover, the good news is from the highest authority, but we are not yet at liberty to give details. Suffice it to say that within a few days, or by the end of the week at most, we will give it to our readers.

It will be remembered that a few days since the departure of the entire Pearce family and owners of the mine for San Francisco was mentioned in the *Prospector*, and it is now known they left for the metropolis to close negotiations for the final payment and transfer of the mine to the bondholders who, instead of waiting until the expiration of the bond, have signified their intention to release the papers in escrow in the Wells Fargo bank, and assume ownership. It is also the intention to immediately incorporate the mine at a high figure, the details of everything having been satisfactorily settled upon and within a few days be closed.

The news will start the building boom in the new camp, and before the swallows homewnrd fly we perdict that the town of Pearce will contain at lest 1500 people.

For every quarter in a man's pocket there are a dozen uses; and to use each one in such a way as to derive the greatest benefit is a question every one must solve for himself. We believe, however that no better use could be made of one of these quarters than to exchange it for a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, a medicine that every family should be provided with. For sale by all dealers in medicines. *

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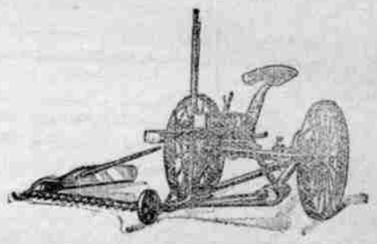

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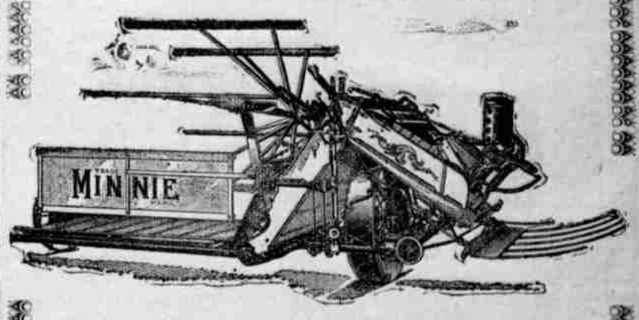

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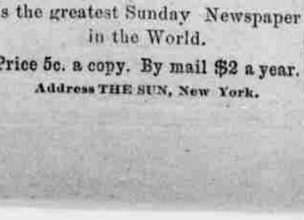

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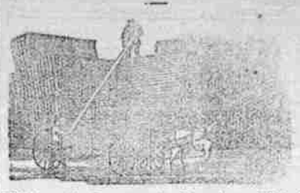

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The agricultural resources of the Gila valley are both varid and extensive, comprising an area of arable land of which there is at present tributary to canals and ditches, 40,000 acres which is capable of being irrigated. The principal products are alfalfa, wheat, corn, barley, oats, vegetables, decidious andcertain classes of citrus fruits.

This is the natural home of alfalfa, of which from 4 to 5 crops are grown yearly, yielding from 5 to 8 tons per acre. It is not as stocky as that which comes from the Salt River valley and is preferable for either horses or cattle.

Wheat, barley and oats grow prolificly, the former containing a very large amount of nutrition. Yellow dent, white gourd and other large varieties of corn yield productively, vegetables are large and solid and come to maturity two months earlier than in the eastern and middle states.

The valley and hill lands are adapted to all of the products of the temperal zone, and many of the fruits of the semi-tropical countries. The apples equal in size and flavor the prize winners of the eastern states. The seedling fruits are unexcelled in size and general excellence. Apricots and apples both grow with a surprising rapidity. The peaches in appearance and taste are identical with those which come from the famous orchards of New Jersey.

Canagrie grows wild, some of the tubers being as large as good sized potatoes. Tests now show that canagrie root, which flourishes near Thomas, in the lower portion of the valley, contains a larger per cent of tannic acid than any ever sent to the extract works from either Arizona or New Mexico.

Farming lands can be purchased at from $50 to $100 per acre, including improvements and water rights.

Uncultivated land without water right is free to any settler under the United States homestead law. This class of farms will eventually become valuable when the canal facilities have been increased.

The cost of maintaining the canals which are owned by the farmers varies from 30 cts. to $1.00 per acre per year.

The following are the market values of the products of the soil at the ranch, there being ready sale for everything raised in the valley.

Wheat	$1.35 per cental.
Barley	1.25 " "
Corn	1.00 " "
Hay	6.00 to $8 per ton.
Hogs	4 cts per pound
Apples	5 " " "
Potatoes	3 " " "
Cattle from	$11 to $18 delivered in Safford.
Milk cows	$25.00 to $30.00

There is at present about 118 miles of irrigating canals and main ditches, not including the latteral ditches which will make the total several times this amount. This gives ample water to assure crops for about 45,000 acres. When the Enterprise canal is finished it will water several thousand acres of rich table and bottom land. It has been estimated that a quarter of million acres of additional land could be irrigated if storage dams were built. This could be done in several places, notably at the narrows about 18 miles from Safford where a box canyon exists through which the river passes. It is from this point the Enterprise company are building their canal.

Graham county covers an area of 7,000 square miles.

The Gila valley is 35 miles from the narrows to the edge of the reservation, with an average width of bottom lands of two miles, the distance between the foot hills being six miles. The valley is flanked on the north by the Gila mountains and on the south by the Graham mountains, Mount Graham being the highest peak, with an altitude of ten thousand feet above sea level.

Although but little prospecting has been done in either the Gila or Graham mountains, the few properties which have been developed show that the ore body is practically inexhaustable; while copper predominates, there is both gold and silver in paying quantities It is a virgin field for both the minor and captalist and one which promises grand results.

The two principal mining companies are the Detroit, at Morenci, and the Arizona Copper Company, at Clifton. The former employes 300 men and the latter 600.

The output of the Arizona comp, any is 20 tons of copper per day and of the Detroit about 10 tons per day. These two compponies alone pay out for labor about $600,000 annually.

Experts are at present prospecting near Saffoad for coal.

There are twenty-five schools, and one Academy in Graham county. The examination for teachers is very strict; only those who are thoroughly qualified being able to procure certificates. 12 churches of different denominations look after the spiritual welfare of the community. Society is as refined here as in any of the old eastern cities.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

STEEL-TRACKED ROADS.

A Promising Idea Advocated by Eastern Political Leaders.

In the wreck of matter and the crush of worlds, coronations, conventions, boat races and things, it is just as well not to forget that the farmer feeds us all, when the mud doesn't prevent his hauling stuff to market.

A TERRIBLE EXAMPLE.

Farmer O'Donnell, of New York state, distinctly understood that he, and not Farmer Budd, of New Jersey, or any other person, is the suggestor of the steel tracked roadway, perhaps the most promising of the new good roads ideas. Farmers O'Donnell, Budd and others propose, in brief, to lay wide, shallow steel rails in the public highways, with turnouts at intervals. Wagon wheels would run easily on flat rails eight or ten inches wide, with flanges on either side to prevent the wheels slipping off. Except upon main traveled roads the cost might be pretty heavy, but there would be almost no limit to the loads that could be drawn upon such a track. Bicyclists could easily use it. The appearance might not quite equal that of a good, well-crowned macadam road, but the idea is worth considering, especially in regions where macadam stone is scarce.

One beauty of the steel track is that wagons with narrow tires could safely use it. Macadam necessitates a broad tire law, which causes some opposition.

How true it is that there's nothing new under the sun! Here we are again back at the old plank road idea. A steel plank running lengthwise instead of a wooden one crosswise; that's all the difference.

And in the west, the last few years have seen the reappearance of the prairie schooner and the freight wagon.

OWEN LANGDON.

THE CONVICT PROBLEM.

It Can Be Solved by Employing Prisoners in Road Construction.

The convict labor question is a very knotty problem that is still waiting for solution.

It knocks at the door of nearly every state capital, during each session of the legislature, but is usually turned away with a promise of more consideration at some future time.

The good roads problem is also a question of importance in the land. In some localities one of these problems is permitted to solve the other. Two birds are killed with one stone.

That the present mode of employing convicts is very unsatisfactory is proved by the unsettled condition of the question in nearly every state where it is done. The following is from a recent issue of the Dayton (O.) Herald:

The Ohio penitentiary seems to suffer from the general business depression. The annual report of the board of managers shows that in 1893 the surplus of earnings over expenses was $31,079; in 1894, the deficit of earnings was [illegible], and in 1895 the deficit of earnings was $55,461.22. The board ascribes several reasons for this change of about $86,000, adding them the passage of a law requiring the branding of all prison-made goods, and the passage of the Llewellyn law, restricting the number of laborers engaged in making any one kind of goods in the penal and reformatory institutions of the state to ten per cent. of the free labor employed in making like goods in the state. These have led, as the board claims, to a demoralization of the contract system. It recommends the repeal of the last-named law, the first having been declared unconstitutional; or if this cannot be done, then that the limit fixed by the Llewellyn law be raised to at least 25 per cent. The situation is one of great interest, and will probably lead to further agitation of the difficult questions of employment of convict labor.

In this connection it may be said that whether or not the penitentiaries are self-supporting has nothing to do with the case.

The more money the convicts make for the state under the Ohio system, the more free labor is deprived of. Thriving penitentiaries are not the most hopeful of signs.

It would be even better to tax free labor to support idle convicts than to have the convicts rob free labor of its means of support.

At the present time the work of making magnificent systems of highways appears to offer the best means of employing many of the convicts. They should not be permitted to compete with free labor in the manufactures. Roads should be made better.

When, oh, when, will the immemorial moss-gatherers known as legislators awake to the needs of the hour?—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Incentive for Good Roads.

The pleasure drivers of a township in Huntington county have made it a rule for the past two years to present a gold watch and chain to the road supervisors of the townships for keeping the roads in good repair. A Mr. Allison and his successor, Thaddeus S. Jackson, have each been the recipient of gold watches and chains. This is a new thing for public road supervisors, but a very common thing for railroad section supervisors to receive a prize every year for the best sections of road beds in each division of the Pennsylvania railroad. This action on the part of the officials make it an incentive for good work and good roads beds.—Media (Pa.) Ledger.

Some Would Never Be Missed.

This country has 1,300,000 miles of common roads. This would encircle the globe 50 times, or go to the moon more than five times. But if most of them would go there just once and not come back, earth would be just about as happy.

Fine Farm For Sale.

Fine 20-acre farm for sale within half a mile of Safford. 18 acres in alfalfa. Four shares of water in the Mill ditch. For particulars apply to the GUARDIAN office. tf

Blank promisory notes for sale at the GUARDIAN office.

Call at J. T. Owens and get you a John Deere plow. They are the best. tf

Traveling Outfits.

Trunk Dealer—I see. Want something for a six months' tour abroad. Well, madam, in the adjoining building I have a trunk which I'm sure you will like. Can't get it in the storeroom; double door is too narrow. I thought of remodeling it and using it for a sea-shore cottage, but if it will suit you I will let you have it cheap.

Dame—I'm not the one who is going abroad; it's my husband.

"Oh! George, show the lady one of those vest-pocket hand-satchels."—N. Y. Weekly.

A Good Reason.

"Is it right to tell lies?" asked a Dallas Sunday school teacher, who had a class of small boys.

"No, sir," responded every one in the class.

"Why isn't it right to tell lies?"

"'Cos you get licked fer doin' it," came from Johnnie, a boy with a sore back near the foot of the class.—Texas Sifter.

Looking Backward.

Mother, dear mother, come home with me now,
The clock in the steeple strikes three;
The baby is hungry and papa's alone,
With nothing to feed it but tea.
—N. Y. World.

COMPENSATION.

Citizen—Here is another judicial error; you have convicted an innocent man!

Judge—Bah! That is nothing. Think of all the guilty men who were not convicted!—L'Illustration.

The Difference.

How daintily across the street
A woman trips with grace complete
While man, inferior in all,
Can never trip without a fall.
—Washington Star.

The Limitations of Law.

"All I demand for my client," shouted the attorney, in the voice of a man who was paid for it, "is justice!"

"I'm very sorry I can't accommodate you," replied the judge, "but the law won't allow me to give him more than seven years."—Tit-Bits.

She Guessed Not.

Mutual Friend—It really is shocking, dear, the way in which you and your husband quarrel and carry on. I wonder you don't separate from him.

Injured Wife—What! go away and leave him alone to do just as he likes? Not me!—Tit-Bits.

What Ailed Her?

Jinks (at a party)—I don't see what's the matter with that pretty woman over there. She was awful flirty a little while ago, and now she won't have anything to do with me.

Stranger—I have just come in. She's my wife.—N. Y. Weekly.

A Good Bargain.

Gagley—See here, Abrahams, the smoking-chair you sold me a week ago is ruined. The seat is all punched through.

Abrahams—Goot, mein frient! I told you those schplen-did springs vould out last de chair.—Bay City Chat.

When Poets Write Wrong.

When poets write
Of "voiceless night,"
We feel like saying "Rats!"
For out of doors
We hear the roars
Of several hundred cats.
—N. Y. Mercury.

Miseries of Trade.

Druggist (awakened at two a. m.)—What do you wish?

Voice (at the door)—If you'll let me look in your directory to see how to address this letter, I'll buy the postage stamp of you.—N. Y. Weekly.

The Greatest Danger.

First Burglar—Got your chloroform ready?

Second Burglar—Yes. Dope the old man first, I suppose?

"Not on your life. The baby first."—Detroit Tribune.

Her Suave Way.

Dicky Doolittle—To kiss you, my darling, sets my brain afire.

Miss Shapeleigh—It ought to be easy to quench the blaze. Didn't the doctor say you had water on the brain?—To Date.

How Could It Help Being?

Mr. Fosdick (to his wife)—Do you call your new hat stylish?

Mrs. Fosdick—Certainly I do, and so will you when you get the bill. The price was $40.—Detroit Free Press.

Literary Note.

Mrs. Brown—You dress is a perfect poem.

Mrs. Jones—My husband used blank verse when he saw the bill.—Town Topics.

An Insult.

Genial Customer (in cheap restaurant)—Is the mutton broth good to-day?

High-toned Waiter—Don't know, sah. I don't eat heah, sah.—N. Y. Weekly.

Still a Pet.

"Have those people in the other flat been married long?"

"I think not; he takes naps on her best silk pillows."—Chicago Record.

Existence Satisfactory.

She—A married man can live on half the money a single man requires.

He—Yes; and some married men are glad to live at all.—N. Y. World.

Safford Lodge No. 28, I. O. G. T meets every Tuesday evening at Safford Church. Visiting members invited.

Henry Nash, C. T.
George Hildreth, Sec.

Now then, take your chickens to Zundel & Fuller they pay a good price for them one half cash and one half on the store. 3-20-tf

The Guardian.

FRIDAY MAY 8. 1896.

LATE EDITORIAL.

John Sherman of Ohio, and the Arizona Republicans have both indorsed McKinley for President. Sherman heads the Ohio delegation to the St. Louis convetnion and pronounces McKinley "all right" on the gold question.

WE stand firm on the platform for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. We denounce the manner in which the moneyed corporations of Wall street are running the legislative halls of Congress.—*Bisbee Orb*

GOVENOR FRANKLIN has appointed Judge J. F. Wilson as Attorney General of the Territory to succeed Gen. Satterwhite, who resigned as soon as the new Govenor was appointed. We believe the selection a wise one.

"ARIZONA will be represented in the Republican national Convention by a capable representation of men who wear no collars."—*Phenix Herald.*

Now the GUARDIAN would like to inquire if they wear shirts and other customary apparel.

The instructions for McKinley in the Phoenix convention show the Arizona Republicans want a man nominated at St. Louis who will be ready at all times to veto all legislation favoring the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1.

Tom Fitch told the republicans at Phenix how McKinley would make the laboring man happy by "putting clothes upon his back, bread in his mouth and peace in his heart," and forgot entirely to mention how McKinley had put lead into their bodies during the strike at the coal mines in Ohio while he was Govenor.—*Arizona Populist.*

Prof. Carl G. Measer, principal of the B. Y. Academy at Provo Utah, and general superintendent of all the Sunday schools of the L D S church visited Mesa a few days last week and this; leaving Wednesday. During his visit the annual Sunday school conference of Maricopa Stake was held and the talented professor delivered several eloquent and interesting addresses. —*Free Press.*

THE Republican Convention at Phoenix adopted the following as a portion of their platform upon which they go before the people:

"RESOLVED that the ability, energy and devotion to the interests of Arizona displayed by our delegate to Congress Hon. N. O. Murphy entitles him to the approval and gratitude of this territory, and we do heartily commend his course and thank him for his services."

R—A—T—S.

THE *Weekly Orb*, the latest newspaper ventare in Arizona is on our table. It made its first appearance on May 3d. It is published at Bisbee by Howe & Porter, and is a neat, well written, 6-colum paper, non-partisan in politics but in line on the 16 to 1 proposition, and the GUARDIAN gives it a hearty welcome to the journalistic field and hopes it will not fall short in the good it has mapped out for itself to accomplish.

THERE is no longer any doubt that Govenor Altgeld of Illinois will organize and personally lead the free silver fight in Chicago and the State of Illinois. To all those wtih whom he has been able to communicate the governor has "read the riot act." It is on the programme for the govereor to make a series of speeches before the day for the holding of the primaries. "Altgeld and 16 to 1" is now the battle cry of the free silver Democrats.

IN Senator Teller's speech made at Washington on April 25th, in reply to a speech made by Senator Sherman, on the Silver question he said. "As I came into the Republican party, voluntarily you must allow me to go out the same way." Again referring to silver legislation he said: "I have no hesitation in saying here, as I have said before that whenever the national political organization to which I belong ceases to represent my sentiments and my judgement on great and fundamental principles I shall cease to act with it."

A PETITION to the Governor of the Territory is being circulated asking that Prof. F. J. Netherton be reappointed to the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction. The people of the county heartily endorse the move, for they recognize in Prof. Netherton an able educator. The petition is signed by prominent citizens and especially those interested in school matters. We understand that similar petitions are being circulated in other counties. We see no reason why Prof. Netherton should not be reappointed, especially as the people are asking it. To be sure he was one of Gov. Hughes' appointees, but as yet we have found no reason why this should disqualify a man for an office which he is worthy and capable of filling.

THE Arizona Republicans have "swapped" off free silver for the chances of a few jobs under McKinley. What will the voters of Arizona say to that on election day?

WHY are the independent and the country newspapers of the United States so much superior in their moral tone and intellectual vigor to the great journals of the commercial centers? Because they are not compelled to advocate the schemes of robbery and plunder hatched in the fertile brains of the Rothschild brood of gold gamblers, stock jobbers, and other enemies of the human race. It is very easy to account for it. Subsidized hirelings are never equal to men who are proprietors of their own intellects.—*Silver Knight.*

INDIAN SUPPLIES.

Goods to the Amount of $1,000,000 Bought

One $1,000,000 worth of supplies of all sorts for the Indians under government control was bought by the commissioner of Indian affairs at Chicago last Tuesday. The articles to be purchased include vast quantities of drugs and medicines. Meats, corn, flour hominy and oats in large quantities was needed. The hardware schedule includes carpenter's tools bells, belting, bits, bolts, files and all other articles usully classed as hardware in large quantities. For instance, 1,500 dozen files are required and more than 100,000 pounds of raw iron and nearly 800,000 pounds of nails. The miscellaneous schedule includes woodenware, saddles, harness, leather, agricultural implements, wagons, stoves, tinware, etc On this schedule appears 8,000 boxes of shoe blacking. The need of this artilce in such quantities for the redskins shows the effect of civilization. More than 800 farm wagons are included in the list.

The Indian commissioner also on last Tuesday received bids in Chicago from railway companies for trasporting the supplids purchased from New York, Chicago Kansas City, Omaha, Sioux City, St. Louis and St. Paul to the 143 Indian agencies in the various states and territories. It is expected that the amount of freight to be transported will include 2,500 tons of dry goods, clothing and groceries and 3,000 tons of bacon, sugar and hardware.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This to notify all merchants and everyone not to give anything to my wife or anyone on my account without a written order.

THOMAS J. RIGGS.

5 8-3-t

Uncel Josh Bailey was a visitor in Safford last Saturday. Mr. Bailey says the range in the vicinity of Bailey's well is good and that cattle are in good condition. He has just sold a bunch of steers at a good figure.

Buckeye mowers, all sizes, latest improvements, durable, economical and cheap at John Blake & Co's. Safford 4-10-tf.

MANY tons of dried canaigre is being shipped from Tempe to London. Canaigre culture ought to prove profitable in this territory. —*Free Press*

Plaster of Paris for sale at 3 1-2 cents per pound at P. J. Jacobson and Sons. 5-1-tf

A ticket has been nominated at Pima for the city officers of that place. A special election will be called, but we have not learned on what date.

Two Mexicans were arrested yesterday by constable Morris for stealing wood. They were arraigned before Judge Fonda, and the trial is still in progress as we go to press.

Sam Watson, the genial stage driver and mail carrier between the Solomonville depot and Solomonville, was a visitor in town yesterday.

THE Arizona Republicans in their gold bug convention at Phoenix dared not instruct their delegates to St. Louis to vote first last and all the time for a Presidential candidate known to be in favor of 16 to 1.

How to Treat a Wife.

(From Pacfic Health Journal)

First, get a wife; second, be patient. You may have great trials and perplexities in your business, but do not therefore, carry to your home a cloudy or contracted brow. Your wife may have trials, which, though of less magnitude, may be hard for her to bear. A kind word, a tender look will do wonders in chasing from her browall clouds of gloom.—To this we would add always keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It is the best and is sure to be needed sooner or later. Your wife will then know that you really care for her and wish to protect her health. For sale by all dealers in medicines. *

More cattle are being shipped out of the valley every day.

Dr. Porter was called on professional business to Wilcox last Wednesday.

E. T. Ijams returned from his ranch last Tuesday. He has been out there about three weeks gathering cattle. He succeeded in gathering and selling 400 head.

An Honest Effort.

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NOTICE.

—OF—

A New Registration of Voters in Graham County, Territory of Arizona.

Public notice is hereby given that at the regular April meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Graham county, Arizona, held pursuant to law, the following order was made and duly entered on the records of said Board, on the 19th day of April, 1896.

"On motion the Board ordered that a registration of the electors of Graham county be had as required by law, previous to the election in November, 1896, to begin from and after the first day of May, 1896, and that due publication of the order be made as required by law."

Registering officers and all concerned are hereby instructed to take notice hereof and be governed accordingly.

Registration will close twenty days before the day of election. Election held on Tuesday the 3d day of November 1896.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Graham county.

M. LEON
Clerk

H. L. SMITH,
Deputy Clerk.

Mr. D. P. Davis, a prominent liveryman and merchant of Goshen Va., has this to say on the subject of rheumatism: "I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism, as I know from personal experience that it will do all that is claimed for it. A year ago this spring my brother was laid up in bed with inflamatory rheumatism and suffered intensly. The first application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm eased the pain and the use of one bottle completely cured him. For sale by all dealers in medicines. *

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